

## **N.C. 12 Update 1/14/14**

### ▪ **Rodanthe Bridge**

NCDOT held public meetings on January, 7, 8 and 9 in Ocracoke, Rodanthe, Buxton and Manteo to present two alternatives for the long-term Rodanthe bridge and gather feedback.

Meeting attendees were given the following handout: [Jan 2014 Hearing Handout](#)

A formal presentation that explains the handout was given at the public hearings. The video of the presentation given in Buxton can be viewed [here](#).

The PowerPoint presented at the hearings is available [here](#).

### **Alternatives**

Bridge Location in Pamlico Sound:

[Map of alternative](#)

[Visualization](#) - Refuge looking south

[Visualization](#) - Near Cobina Dr. looking west at the Pamlico Sound

Bridge Location within Current Easement:

[Map of alternative](#)

[Visualization](#) - Cobina Dr. looking north

[Visualization](#) - Green Lantern Court looking north

[Visualization](#) - Refuge looking south

An Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Rodanthe project can be reviewed [here](#). Hard copies also are available at several locations along the Outer Banks (see the list in the [December 2013 newsletter](#)).

A comment sheet is included at the back of the [handout](#), along with information on how to submit comments. All comments will be taken into consideration and carry equal weight, regardless of how they are submitted. **Comments are due to NCDOT by Friday, January 24, 2014.**

The department advertised the design-build project on Nov. 1. The design-build teams will be shortlisted after public input is considered and a decision is reached, which is anticipated to be made early 2014. The contract is scheduled to be awarded in late spring/early summer 2014.

- **Pea Island Bridge**

NCDOT awarded a contract on November 27, 2013, to build a permanent bridge where the temporary one now stands on Pea Island. The contract was awarded to Parsons Construction Group Inc. of Greenville, SC. for \$79.7 million. Construction on the new bridge can begin as early as Jan. 6, 2014. The new bridge is scheduled to open to traffic in spring 2016. As part of the bid, the contractor committed to completing the work within 800 calendar days and pay \$5,000 per day for any days over 800.